

MEMPHIS APPEAL

FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 21, 1873.

WHAT MERCHANTS FEAR OVER NEXT MONDAY.

Merchants, and bankers, and cotton-

meas Monday afternoon, at the hall of

the Chamber of Commerce, will be

the people of the city and county. They

have all heard how hell is paved with

good intentions, and understand how a

good, honest, sincere man is a most

valuable asset to a community, and

of a county whose affairs are more com-

plex and difficult of administration than

those of the State of Tennessee. They

will inquire, too, whether an honest

people can be honest when their imper-

fection, the Mayor, and the State

demands to be effect by honest

demands of the people against the

city. Is there not practical knavery

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gent and logical. In listening to his

speeches, the imagination involuntarily

turns to the utterances of the great poet

in sketching a model of man.

His years are young, but his experience old.

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THE FLOODS.

The Ragging Tennessee Confined Within

Its Banks--Chattanooga

Breathes Easy.

People Relieved of Anxiety--Trains

Moved Back Into Town--All

Serene Along the Cum-

berland.

From the Nashville Banner.]

When Sunday morning dawned, the

people of Chattanooga arose, after a rest-

less sleep, to look out upon the rising

waters with which they had been so

seriously threatened the evening

previous. The immensity of the raging

river was in itself appalling. Its en-

croachment upon the city had been

watched with indefatigable feelings of

awe until it had reached its highest

point, and lingered there, as if hesitat-

ing whether it should rise higher and

higher, or recede. When at its apex, it

looked back upon the city, and the

flood of 1867, when two-thirds of the

place was inundated, and water was ten

feet in the houses. The first evidence

of its fall, however, was received with a

feeling of relief. From that time it

continued to recede until yesterday, when

it became manifest that the city was out

of all danger of an overflow.

The management of the Western and

Atlantic road commenced early yester-

day, to run its five hundred loaded

freight cars back into the city, and the

greatest activity began in railroad cir-

cles. Every available locomotive was

brought into use, and there was no end

to the puffing and blowing that ensued.

Engine after engine went out about

Ringgold, and returned with all the

freight it was possible for each to draw.

When they arrived in town there was

an immense amount of switching to be

done, and done quickly, for the floating

moments were as gold to the company.

Every employee was on his feet, and

the very best of the company's

hands, which were continually in

motion, were doing their best. Toward

dusk the two hundred loaded

cars on the Nashville and Chattanooga

road commenced to roll in, and

continued until the work had been com-

pleted. Not less than a thousand cars

were moved in this manner. Every

side-track was full of cars, loaded

down with thousands of tons of mer-

chandise. The city was a scene of

activity, and the people were

relieved of their anxiety. The

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